GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Guidelines for Receiving Gifts
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether guidelines have been prescribed by the Government regarding receiving gifts by the Very Important Persons in other countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such gifts received by the individual becomes his personal property;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the year-wise and country-wise details of gifts received abroad by VVIPs during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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(a) & (b) Yes. The gifts received by Very Important Persons during their foreign visits are governed by Foreign Contribution (Acceptance or Retention of Gifts or Presentations) Rules, 2012 as amended from time to time.

(c) & (d) The ownership of the gifts are decided as per the criteria as laid down in Foreign Contribution (Acceptance or Retention of Gifts or Presentations) Rules, 2012.

(e) The year-wise and country-wise details of gifts received from foreign source by VVIPs during the last three years are enclosed at ANNEXURE.

ANNEXURE
Year wise and Country wise details of gifts received by VVIPs during last 3 year

Sl.No	Name of Country	2013	2014	2015 till date
1	Uzbekistan	1	Nil	3
2	Afghanistan	4	2	3
3	Kuwait	9	Nil	Nil
4	Peru	1	Nil	Nil
5	Ecuador	1	Nil	Nil
6	Zanzibar	Nil	2	Nil
7	Bahrain	Nil	1	Nil
8	Saudi Arabia	Nil	3	Nil
9	Myanmar	Nil	3	3
10	China	3	8	22
11	Bangladesh	1	6	19
12	United States of America	5	1	7
13	Lao PDR	Nil	Nil	1
14	Cambodia	Nil	Nil	2
15	Indonesia	1	1	2
16	Nepal	1	7	5
17	United Kingdom	1	1	8
18	Bhutan	1	3	1
19	South Africa	1	Nil	2
20	ASEAN	1	Nil	Nil
21	Cote D"Ivoire	1	Nil	Nil
22	Germany	2	1	2
23	Maldives	2	5	3
24	Thailand	2	1	1
25	Japan	5	2	3
26	Malaysia	3	1	Nil

27 Fiji 1 Nil 3
28 Sri Lanka 2 1 6
29 Rome 1 Nil Nil
30 Iraq 1 Nil Nil
31 Vietnam 2 Nil 2
32 Pakistan 2 Nil Nil
33 Russia 3 5 7
34 Mexico 1 Nil Nil
35 Hungary 1 Nil Nil
36 Niue 1 Nil Nil
37 Oman Nil 3 Nil
38 Nigeria Nil 2 1
39 Tanzania Nil 1 1
40 Hague, Netherlands Nil 1 1
41 Brazil Nil 2 1
42 Singapore 1 2 3
43 Uganda Nil 1 Nil
44 Guyana Nil Nil 2
45 Australia Nil Nil 4
46 United Nations Nil Nil 2
47 Israel Nil Nil 2
48 Qatar Nil Nil 2
49 Cuba Nil Nil 1
50 France Nil Nil 3
51 Canada Nil Nil 3
52 Spain Nil Nil 1
53 Korea Nil Nil 2
54 South Korea Nil Nil 9
55 Mongolia Nil Nil 4
56 Turkmenistan Nil Nil 3
57 Tajikistan Nil Nil 2
58 Kazakhstan Nil Nil 2
59 Mozambique Nil Nil 1
60 Micronesia Nil Nil 1
61 Marshall Island Nil Nil 1
62 Seychelles Nil Nil 3
63 Iran Nil Nil 1
64 UAE Nil Nil 1
65 Kyrgyzstan Nil Nil 1
66 Vanuatu Nil Nil 1
67 Ireland Nil Nil 1
68 Morocco Nil Nil 3
69 Namibia Nil Nil 1
70 Ghana Nil Nil 1
71 Botswana Nil Nil 1
72 Mauritius Nil Nil 1
73 Senegal Nil Nil 1
74 Sierra Leone Nil Nil 1
75 Zambia Nil Nil 1
76 Madagascar Nil Nil 1
77 Liberia Nil Nil 1
78 Zimbabwe Nil Nil 1
79 Benin Nil Nil 1
80 Swaziland Nil Nil 1
81 Sudan Nil Nil 1